IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

| LINARES "LEE" SMITH and |) | |
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| FREDERICK SMITH, |) | |
| |) | |
| Plaintiffs, |) | |
| vs. |) | CIVIL ACTION NUMBER |
| |) | 2:06-cv-918 |
| |) | JURY DEMAND |
| BIG 10 TIRES, INC., |) | |
| |) | |
| Defendant. |) | |

REPORT OF PARTIES PLANNING MEETING

Come now the parties in the above-styled action and submit this Report of the Parties Planning Meeting:

1. Pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 26(f) and this Court's 26(f) Order, a telephonic conference was held on January 5, 2007 and was attended by:

Rocco Calamusa, Jr. for the plaintiffs; and

William C. Tidwell, III for the defendant.

2. **Pre-Discovery Disclosures**.

The parties will exchange the information required by Fed.R.Civ.P. 26(a)(1) no later than 30 days after the 26(f) conference. Supplementation of disclosures and responses as required by Fed.R.Civ.P. 26(e) is to be accomplished at appropriate intervals and seasonably, but no later than **August 1, 2007.**

3. **Discovery Plan**.

(a) Discovery will be needed on the following subjects:

All of plaintiff's claims and all of defendant's defenses.

- (b) All discovery will be commenced in time to be completed by September 1, 2007.
- (c) A maximum of 25 interrogatories by each party to any other party.
- (d) A maximum of 25 requests for admission by each party to any other party.
- (e) A maximum of 25 requests for production by each party to any other party.
- (f) Maximum of 10 depositions by the plaintiff and 10 depositions by the defendant. All depositions will be limited to 7 hours, unless extended by agreement of the parties.

4. Expert Reports

Reports from retained experts under 26(a)(2) due:

from plaintiff June 15, 2007 from defendant July 15, 2007

5. Pretrial Conference

The parties request a Pretrial Conference with the Court after November, 2007.

6. Adding Parties and Amendments to the Pleading

The plaintiff and defendant should be allowed until March 30, 2007 to add additional parties and until March 30, 2007 to amend the pleadings.

7. **Dispostive Motions**

All potentially dispositive motions shall be filed by October 1, 2007.

8. **Prospects for Settlement**

Settlement cannot be evaluated prior to the completion of some discovery in this case.

9. Final Witness and Exhibit lists

Final Witness and Exhibit Lists under Rule 26(a)(3) should be due from the parties thirty (30) days before trial. The parties shall have **15 days** after service of witness and exhibit lists to serve objections under Rule 26(a)(3).

10. Trial Date

This case should be ready for trial by **December 1, 2007** and at this time is expected to take 3-5 days.

Respectfully Submitted,

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